

REMARKS

Claim Status

Claims 1-39 are pending in the application. This paper amends claims 1, 10-21, 24, 25, 31, 32, 34, and 38. Claims 1, 10, 11, 21, and 31 are the independent claims of the application.

Art Rejections

All independent claims of the application were rejected as being anticipated by Berstis *et al.*, U.S. Patent Number 5,874,936 (“Berstis” hereinafter). In affirming the Examiner’s rejection, members of the panel of the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences noted that they “do not necessarily disagree with Appellant that the disclosure of Bertis does not provide the automatic scrolling feature disclosed by Appellant”

Independent claim 1 has been amended to recite that the step of automatically scrolling is performed without user input. Support for this limitation may be found in the specification, for example, at page 4, lines 6-9. As we have argued, Berstis requires that a remote pointing device be operated in order to scroll. At least for this reason, Berstis does not anticipate independent claim 1.

Independent claims 10, 11, 21, 31, as amended, recite identical, similar, or analogous limitations, and should be patentable at least for the same reason as claim 1.

Dependent claims not specifically discussed should be patentable together with their respective base claims and intervening claims, if any.

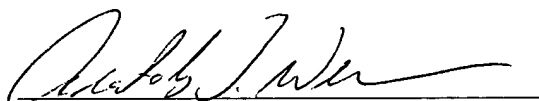
CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, Applicant respectfully submits that all pending claims are patentable. To discuss any matter pertaining to the present application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (858) 720-9431.

Having made an effort to bring the application in condition for allowance, a timely notice to this effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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